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- 1. US 5,331,775
- 2. FR 1 278 184 A
- 3. DE 196 05 588 C2 (English abstract provided)
- 4. DE 44 32 514 A1 (English abstract provided)

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Documents 1-2 were cited in the ISR. Document 3 was cited in a German

Examination Report dated November 12, 2003. Documents 3-4 were mentioned in the

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